

REMARKS

The amendments to the claims as set forth above are intended to remove all multiple dependent claims from the subject application and to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject invention in accordance with U.S. practice.

Claim 14 has been canceled without prejudice to any further prosecution.

Deleted language is stricken through and added language is underlined.

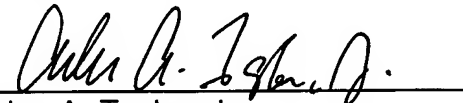
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Addendum

1. Y-SHAPE BRANCHED HYDROPHILIC POLYMER DERIVATIVES, THEIR PREPARATION METHODS, CONJUGATES OF THE DERIVATIVES AND DRUG MOLECULES, AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING THE CONJUGATES